

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
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MUR 5387: Welch for Wisconsin and ) MUR 5387 and MUR 5446  
John J. Hiller, as treasurer; Citizens for )  
Welch and Richard J. Rathjen, as )  
treasurer; Senator Robert T. Welch; )  
MUR 5446: Welch for Wisconsin and )  
John J. Hiller, as treasurer; Citizens for )  
Welch and Richard J. Rathjen, as )  
treasurer; Senator Robert T. Welch; )  
Jeanne Welch; Republican Party of )  
Wisconsin and Buck Shilling, as )  
treasurer; Gateway Ventures; Phil )  
Prange. )

CERTIFICATION

I, Mary W. Dove, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby  
certify that on December 10, 2004, the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to  
take the following actions in MURs 5387 and 5446:

MUR 5387

1. Find no reason to believe that Robert T. Welch; Welch for Wisconsin and John J. Hiller, as treasurer, and Citizens for Welch and Richard J. Rathjen, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §441i.
2. Approve the appropriate letters.
3. Close the file.

MUR 5446

1. Find no reason to believe that Robert T. Welch; Welch for Wisconsin and John J. Hiller, as treasurer; and Citizens for Welch and Richard J. Rathjen, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §441i.

2. Find no reason to believe that Gateway Ventures, or Phil Prange violated 2 U.S.C. §441i.
3. Find no reason to believe that the Republican Party of Wisconsin and Buck Shilling, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §441i.
4. Find reason to believe that Robert T. Welch; Welch for Wisconsin and John J. Hiller, as treasurer; and Citizens for Welch and Richard J. Rathjen, as treasurer, violated 11 C.F.R. §110.3(d) and take no further action other than to send a letter of admonishment.
5. Find no reason to believe that Jeanne Welch violated any provision of the Act or its corresponding regulations.
6. Approve the appropriate letters
7. Close the file.

Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner and Weintraub  
voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

December 10, 2004  
Date

Darlene Harris  
for Mary W. Dove  
Secretary of the Commission